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Border Guard Organization

1. The Bulgarian Border Guard (Granishni Voyski) is subordinate to the Ministry of Interior, and the Border Guard central office is located in the Militia headquarters building at the corner of Georgi Dimitrov and Slivnitsa Boulevards in Sofia. The commandant of the Border Guard Units is a Soviet officer, Colonel Chugunov.

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2. Administratively, Bulgaria is divided into eight or nine border guard sektors, each containing two otryads. The headquarters for the sektor composed of the Malko Turnovo and Elkhovo otryads is commanded by Colonel Vankov and located in Burgas. The headquarters for the Varna and Burgas otryads (made up of coast guard rather than border guard units and under the control of the navy) are in Varna. There is also an otryad under control of the navy with headquarters in Tsarevo. The only other sektor headquarters is in Vidin.

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3. Each otryad is composed of three komandaturas with each komandatura divided into six zastavas, although in practice there are sometimes less than six. In theory each zastava is composed of 118 officers and men and, in addition to headquarters personnel consists of ten squads of ten men plus a squad leader. The men are armed with light and heavy machine guns in addition to carbines. When the zastava is small, they only have light machine guns. All zastavas of more than 30 men have snipers equipped with rifles with telescopic sights. Generally half of the privates are equipped with carbines and 60 to 100 rounds of ammunition, and the rest with submachine guns and four

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loaded ammunition drums. Soldiers used in concealed and open observation posts are armed with Vintovka rifles and 60 to 100 rounds of ammunition and/or hand grenades.

4. An ideal border guard zastava is composed as follows:

- a. Commanding Officer - Captain;
- b. Political officer - Senior First Lieutenant;
- c. Training officer - Senior First Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster - Master Sergeant;
- e. Dog handlers (usually three or four) - Sergeants First Class;
- f. Two rifle platoons, commanded by a career border guard sergeant, each composed of three rifle squads of 10 privates each with a corporal in command (each squad has a light machine gunner; his assistant carries a carbine; half of the remaining privates have carbines and the rest have submachine guns); and
- g. One Heavy Machine platoon, commanded by a corporal or sergeant, and composed as follows:
 - (1) Two Heavy Machine Gun squads of 10 privates each, commanded by a corporal (two heavy machine gun transported manually, each manned by five privates); and
 - (2) Two mortar squads of 10 privates each, commanded by a corporal (one mortar manned by five privates, the other by four privates; one private with one telescopic rifle).

Recruitment and Basic Training

5. Border guard soldiers are chosen directly upon induction into the army, and are always sent to an otryad or training battalion far from their homes. Approximately 90 percent are DSNM members. Each Otryad has its own training battalion which gives three months' basic training to recruits twice a year. These battalions, however, are not capable of training all the border guard soldiers so that there are several additional schools throughout Bulgaria where border guard recruits are sent to be trained along with infantry soldiers. Those sent from their recruiting offices to the border guard training battalions attached to infantry regiments do not know themselves that they have been chosen for the border guard until they begin training. They wear infantry uniforms and are not permitted to tell the other soldiers that they are in the border guard. The only border guard training battalions are two attached to rifle regiments in Pleven and Ruse, which train recruits for the Malko Turnovo, Elkhovo, Burgas and Varna otryads and one in Belogradchik.

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NCO Schools

6. Border guard soldiers are sent to noncommissioned officers' schools immediately after completion of their basic training. Those chosen are simple but industrious and conscientious soldiers rather than clever or intelligent ones. After graduation, they return to the units to which they were originally assigned. The following schools:
- a. Heavy machine gun school, Petrich, four-month course;
 - b. Engineers school, Lyubimets (N 41-50, E 26-05), four-month course;
 - c. Communications school, "Durvenitsa" village on the outskirts of Sofia; six-month school for radio training, four-month school for telephone training;
 - d. Rifle unit school, Ardino, nine-month course;
 - e. Dog trainers' school, Zemen (42-28, E 22-46), Radomir Okoliya, six-month course, and;
 - f. First aid school, Pleven, six-month course.

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Officer Training Schools

7. There are training schools for border guard officers at Durvenitsa, Plaven, Ruse and Turnovo. The course lasts nine months and graduates are commissioned second lieutenants. Students are chosen from conscripts and must be ardent Communists. A secondary school education is required for all except the Turnovo school.

Border Guard Otryad

8. The headquarters of the 7 Border Guard Otryad Podelenie 5780-P are located in Malko Turnovo in a barracks area also occupied by 2 Komandatura headquarters and the 2 Komandatura reserve zastava. The 7 Otryad controls a border area extending 5 to 10 kilometers west of Bliznak (N 42-10, E 27-16) to Tezovo (N 42-00, E 27-59) and the Black Sea, and up to 30 Kilometers inland from the border, depending on the nature of the terrain. (Appendix A shows the buildings in the area and Appendix B the location of the underground ammunition stores of 7 Otryad near Malko Turnovo).

Basic Training

9. Basic training for recruits assigned to the 7 Otryad at the end of June 1952 lasted until 15 October 1952, two weeks longer than usual because of delay in assignment of the recruits at the end of training. Training classes, all of which were given by officers of the training battalion, were as follows:
- a. Border guard duties (granichna Sluzhba) - four hours daily, 2 hours theory and two practices;
 - b. Administrative duties (rezhimna Sluzhba) - two classes a week, consisting of instruction in border guard regulations (including instructions about Otkrit lists);
 - c. Border Patrol activity (deystvie na granichnite naryadi) - five or six hours weekly;
 - d. Weapons' familiarization (oruzhe Znanie) two or three hours daily, training in German-made and Soviet-made light machine guns, submachine guns, carbines and grenades are given the recruits in separate classes;
 - e. Technical equipment familiarization (zapoznavane s granichni unredi) - three hours weekly, includes training in use of binoculars, signal devices, placement of barbed wire, mine fields and other border defense measures;
 - f. Close-order drill - one or two hours every other day during the first month;
 - g. Drills in defending a fortified "place," in waging guerrilla warfare (blowing up bridges, ammunition dumps); and
 - h. Political training, two to three hours daily - history of Communist Party, biographies of prominent Communists, military history of Bulgaria, analysis of current events, instructions on duty of border guard units to defend Bulgaria, etc.

Weapons

11. Recruits were trained in the use of the following weapons during basic training:

- a. Rifles and carbines

- (1) German Mauser 7.92-mm. rifle;
- (2) Soviet Vintovka 7.62mm. rifle; and
- (3) Soviet M 1944 carbine

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b. Submachine guns

- (1) German Schmeisser 7.92-mm. rifle;
- (2) Soviet Shpagin/FPSH-1941/ 7.62-mm. submachine gun (used with 71-round drum magazine); and
- (3) Czech Zbrojovka 7.92-mm submachine gun (training included use but no data on characteristics)

c. Light machine guns

- (1) German 7.92-mm. MG/MG 34, presumably light machine gun; and
- (2) Soviet Degtyarev/DP/ 7.62-mm. light machine gun (used with 37 round drum magazine)

d. Hand grenades

- (1) Bulgarian offensive hand grenade;¹
- (2) Bulgarian defensive hand grenade;
- (3) Soviet antitank HEAT hand grenade (protivo tankovi butilki; Molotov cocktail) made of dark-colored glass in the shape of a beer bottle, supposed to burn ten minutes after explosion of caustic liquid charge

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7 Otryad Headquarters Personnel

12. The following officers were assigned to the headquarters of the 7 Otryad:

- a. Colonel Chakurov, commanding officer of the 7 Otryad since early April 1953;

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- b. Captain Mitev, commanding officer of the 7 Otryad until April 1953,

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- c. Captain Mihaylov, headquarters commandant who had been with the 7 Otryad for four years;

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- d. Captain Trendafilov, political officer of the 7 Otryad since May 1952,

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- e. Senior First Lieutenant Spasov, ordnance officer

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- f. Senior First Lieutenant Nedev, commanding officer of the training battalion (ucheben battalion)

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- g. Senior First Lieutenant Padalski, topography officer;

- h. Senior First Lieutenant Sibeov, chemical warfare officer

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- i. Captain Petrov, head of the 7 Otryad DSNM activities since October or November 1952; [redacted] 25X1
- j. Captain Dzhumaliyski, secretary of the 7 Otryad Communist Party organization since 1951; [redacted] 25X1
- k. First Lieutenant Zlatkov, 7 Otryad engineering officer since 1950; in charge of all border fortifications; [redacted] 25X1
- l. Senior First Lieutenant Sharkov, 7 Otryad communications officer since about 1951; [redacted] 25X1
- m. Senior First Lieutenant Kristev, commanding officer of the 1 company of 7 Otryad training battalion in 1953, of the 2 company in 1952, and instructor in border guard regulation; [redacted] 25X1
- n. Senior First Lieutenant Milanov, commanding officer of the 2 company of the training battalion in 1953, of the 1 company in 1952, and instructor in firing practice and firing regulations;
- o. Senior First Lieutenant Apostolov, commander of the 3 company of the training battalion since early 1952; [redacted] 25X1
- p. First Lieutenant Kirchev, political officer of the 1 company of the training battalion;
- q. First Lieutenant Manolov, political officer of the 2 company of the training battalion; [redacted] 25X1
- r. First Lieutenant Milev, political officer of the 3 company of the training battalion; [redacted] 25X1
- s. First Lieutenant Toshev, commanding officer of the 1 platoon, 2 company of the training battalion; [redacted] 25X1
- t. First Lieutenant Terziyanov, commanding officer of the 2 platoon, 2 company of the training battalion; and
- u. First Lieutenant Koohev, commanding officer of the 3 platoon, 2 company of the training battalion.

Location, Organization and Personnel of 7 Otryad Subordinate Units

13. The 1 Komandatura, [redacted] strength approximately 14 officers, three or four noncommissioned officers, 20 enlisted men, is located in a valley 1.5 to two kilometers southeast of Zvezdets. Buildings consist of the following: 25X1

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- a. A 2-story unplastered brick building about 20 x 40 meters in size; first floor used for dormitory and second for headquarters offices and officers' quarters; and
- b. A concrete underground ammunition storehouse approximately 10 x 20 meters in size, the top of which is level with the ground; unknown quantities of ammunition, rifles, machine guns and mortars are stored there, always guarded by three sentries; location about 100 meters southeast of the barracks building.

[redacted] the following personnel:

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- a. An unidentified captain, Commanding Officer;
- b. Senior First Lieutenant Stoyanov, Political Officer, [redacted]

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- c. First Lieutenant Zhekov, Headquarters Commandant, [redacted]
- d. First Lieutenant Pavlov, Officer in charge of Communist organization; [redacted]
- e. An unidentified Senior First Lieutenant, Doctor;
- f. An unidentified First Lieutenant, Communications Officer (telephone);
- g. An unidentified First Lieutenant, Communications Officer (radio);
- h. An unidentified First Lieutenant, Administrative Officer;
- i. An unidentified First Lieutenant, Finance Officer; and
- j. An unidentified Master Sergeant, Quartermaster.

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- 14. The 1 Komandatura Reserve Zastava, [redacted] strength two officers, five or six noncommissioned officers, forty enlisted men, is housed with the 1 Komandatura headquarters in Zvezdets. Personnel and weapons consist of the following:

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- a. Second Lieutenant Nikolov, Commanding Officer;
- b. First Lieutenant Dimitrov, Training Officer;
- c. An unidentified private, Political Commander;
- d. An unidentified Sergeant First Class, Training Commander;
- e. An unidentified Sergeant First Class, First Aid Commander;
- f. A cook;
- g. Two bakers;
- h. Five enlisted men with a heavy machine gun;
- i. Five enlisted men with a mortar;

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- j. Four enlisted men with four light machine guns;
 - k. One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle;
 - l. Fourteen enlisted men with 14 submachine guns; and
 - m. Thirteen enlisted men with 13 carbines.
15. The 1 "Orel" Zastava, [] is located in a valley seven or eight kilometers southwest of Bliznak (N 42-10, E 27-16) and approximately 1200 meters from the border.² Buildings consist of a 1-story white-washed building with red tile roof, and a stable and sheds. Personnel and weapons consisted of the following:
- a. An unidentified First Lieutenant, Commanding Officer;
 - b. An unidentified Second Lieutenant, Political Officer;
 - c. An unidentified Second Lieutenant, Training Officer;
 - d. A Master Sergeant, Quartermaster;
 - e. A career Sergeant, Training sergeant;
 - f. A career Sergeant, First Aid Commander;
 - g. A baker;
 - h. A cook;
 - i. The 1 Rifle Platoon composed of:
 - (1) One corporal with a light machine gun;
 - (2) One enlisted man with a light machine gun;
 - (3) Five enlisted men with five carbines; and
 - (4) Four enlisted men with four submachine guns;
 - j. The 2 Rifle Platoon, same as above;
 - k. A Heavy Machine Gun Squad, composed of:
 - (1) Six enlisted men with one heavy machine gun; and
 - (2) One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle.

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The zastava has a strength of 37 officers and men, three horses, two mules and seven dogs.

16. The 2 "Kokiche" Zastava, [] strength 70 officers and men, is located in a valley through which the Malkoto River flows southwest of Evrenesovo (N 42-08, E 27-18), 1000-1500 meters from the border. After April 1953, 50 additional men were to be added to the zastava. Buildings consisted as follows:
- a. One building in the shape of a shallow U about 10 meters wide and 20 meters long; and
 - b. A stable (old barracks building).

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Personnel and weapons consisted of the following:

- a. Commanding Officer;
 - b. Political Officer;
 - c. Training Officer;
 - d. Quartermaster; Sergeant First Class;
 - e. Baker; Cook;
 - f. Training sergeant;
 - g. First aid commander;
 - h. Five corporals, squad leaders;
 - i. Ten enlisted men, with two heavy machine guns;
 - j. Five enlisted men, with one mortar;
 - k. Six enlisted men, with three light machine guns;
 - l. Fifteen enlisted men with 10 carbines, each with 100 cartridges;
 - m. Sixteen enlisted men with 11 submachine guns, each with four ammunition drums;
 - n. Three dog handlers;
 - o. Three horses;
 - p. One donkey;
 - q. Two mules; and
 - r. Ten dogs (two trained for pursuit).
17. The 3 "Lale" Zastava, [] strength 40 officers and men, is located in a valley southwest of Moryane (N 42-05, E 27-18) about 1200 meters from the border. Buildings consist as follows: 25X1
- a. An L-shaped barracks building about 10 meters wide, 18-20 meters long one one side and 15-16 meters long on the other side; and
 - b. A 1-story building, for families of personnel north of the barracks building.
- Personnel and weapons are as follows:
- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
 - b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
 - c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
 - d. Training sergeant;
 - e. First aid sergeant;

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- f. Baker;
 - g. Cook;
 - h. Three dog handlers;
 - i. Ten enlisted men with two heavy machine guns;
 - j. One enlisted man with one telescopic rifle;
 - k. Eight enlisted men with eight carbines;
 - l. Five enlisted men (three of them snipers) with eight submachine guns; and
 - m. Five dogs (two trained for pursuit).
18. The 4 "Struma" Zastava, [] strength 43 officers and men, is located in a valley between Moryane and Brushlyan, 900 to 1000 meters from the border. Buildings are as follows: 25X1
- a. A building used for barracks and headquarters;
 - b. A stable (old barracks building);
 - c. A 1-story building, 10 x 20 meters in size, still under construction; and
 - d. Buildings for officers' families, still under construction.
- Personnel and weapons are as follows:
- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Toshev;
 - b. Political Officer;
 - c. Training Officer;
 - d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
 - e. Training sergeant;
 - f. First aid sergeant;
 - g. Four corporals, squad leaders;
 - h. Baker;
 - i. Cook;
 - j. Three dog handlers;
 - k. Ten enlisted men with two heavy machine guns;
 - l. One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle;
 - m. Nine enlisted men with nine carbines;
 - n. Nine enlisted men (three of them snipers) with nine light machine guns; and
 - o. Five dogs (three trained for pursuit).

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19. The 5 "Rositsa" Zastava, [redacted] strength 46 officers and men, is located south of Brushlyan (N 42-04, E 27-25), about 1300 meters from the border. Buildings now used consist of:

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- a. A wooden building, 8 x 10 meters in size; and
- b. A stable.

New buildings under construction consist of:

- a. A 1-story brick building 10 meters wide in the shape of a shallow U, the base of which is 20 meters across; and
- b. A building for officers' families.

Personnel and weapons consist of the following:

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Yanev, [redacted]

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- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant Zakhariev, [redacted]

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- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant Dimitrov;

- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant Georgiev; [redacted]

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- e. Training sergeant;
- f. First aid sergeant;
- g. Four corporals, squad leaders;
- h. Baker;
- i. Cook;
- j. Three dog handlers;
- k. Ten enlisted men with two heavy machine guns;
- l. Three enlisted men with three light machine guns;
- m. Nine enlisted men with nine submachine guns;
- n. Eight enlisted men with eight carbines;
- o. One enlisted man (sniper) with a telescopic rifle; and
- p. Four trained pursuit dogs.

20. The 2 Komandatura, [redacted] is located in Malko Turnovo, and shares the barracks area of 7 Otryad headquarters. [redacted] the following personnel:

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- a. Commanding Officer, Captain Georgiev [redacted]

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- b. Headquarters Commandant, Senior First Lieutenant Yosikov, has occupied present post since before June 1952;

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- c. Officer in charge of Communist organizations, First Lieutenant Donev,

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- d. Political Officer, Private Lilkov (holds position because he is an ardent Communist; has refused to be made an officer);

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- e. Doctor, Senior First Lieutenant Seyno Georgiev;

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- f. Communications Officer (telephone), First Lieutenant;

- g. Communications Officer (radio), First Lieutenant;

- h. Administrative Officer, First Lieutenant; also in charge of issuing otkrit lists; and

- i. Finance Officer, First Lieutenant.

In addition to the headquarters company, a service company, communications company, engineers company and "dog" platoon are under the command of this komandatura (nomenclature used for these units is "rota" and "zvod" not "zastava."

21. The 2 Komandatura Reserve "Alarm" Zastava, strength 121 officers and men, is located in Malko Turnovo, and shares barracks area of 7 Otryad and 2 Komandatura. Personnel and weapons consist of the following:

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Velichkov, has occupied present post since before June 1952;

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- b. Political Officer;

- c. Training Officer;

- d. Quartermaster;

- e. Two training sergeants;

- f. First Aid Sergeant;

- g. Five dog handlers;

- h. Two sergeants, commanders of heavy machine gun platoons;

- i. Thirty enlisted men with six heavy machine guns;

- j. Twenty enlisted men with four mortars;

- k. Twelve enlisted men with 12 light machine guns;

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- l. Twenty-one enlisted men with 21 submachine guns;
- m. Twenty enlisted men with 20 carbines; and
- n. Four enlisted men with four telescopic rifles.

This unit is earmarked for use in case of a surprise attacks on the border and is therefore, in a constant state of alert.

22. The 6 "Vishna" Zastava, [redacted] strength 37 officers and men, is located southeast of Brushlyan and west of Malko Turnovo in a valley about 1000 meters from the border. Buildings are as follows:

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- a. A 1-story building, 8 x 15 meters in size; and
- b. A small stable.

Personnel and weapons are as follows:

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Milev;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant Dimitŭr Zaykov; [redacted]

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- e. Training sergeant;
- f. First aid sergeant;
- g. Three corporals, squad leaders;
- h. Baker;
- i. Cook;
- j. Two dog handlers;
- k. Ten enlisted men with two heavy machine guns;
- l. One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle;
- m. Two men with two light machine guns;
- n. Six men with six submachine guns;
- o. Five enlisted men with five carbines; and
- p. Four dogs (two trained for pursuit).

23. The 7 "Orlovo" Zastava, [redacted] strength 100 officers and men, is located about three kilometers southwest of Malko Turnovo in a valley open only to the west approximately 1100 meters from the border. There is a new building, 12 x 22 meters in size, and a small stable. There are no officers' quarters because of proximity to Malko Turnovo. Personnel and weapons are

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as follows:

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Spasov;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
- e. Training sergeant;
- f. First aid sergeant;
- g. Seven corporals, squad leaders;
- h. Baker;
- i. Cook;
- j. Three dog handlers;
- k. Fifteen enlisted men with three heavy machine guns;
- l. One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle;
- m. Eight enlisted men with eight light machine guns;
- n. Ten enlisted men with two mortars;
- o. Twenty enlisted men with twenty carbines;
- p. Twenty enlisted men with twenty submachine guns;
- q. Four men for open observation posts with four Vintovka rifles;
- r. Four men for concealed observation posts with four Vintovka rifles; and
- s. Ten high-quality dogs (four trained for pursuit).

24. The 8 "Yantra" Zastava, [] strength 21 officers and men, is located approximately four kilometers south of Malko Turnovo in a valley open to the north about 1300 meters from the border. There is a white-washed 1-story building, 8 x 18 meters in size, and a small stable. There are no officers' quarters because of proximity to Malko Turnovo. Personnel and weapons consist as follows: 25X1

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
- e. Training sergeant;
- f. Cook;
- g. Baker;
- h. Dog handler;

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1. Two squad leaders, corporals;
 - j. Five enlisted men with one heavy machine gun;
 - k. Two enlisted men with two carbines; and
 - l. Two enlisted men with two submachine guns.
25. The 9 "Tintyava" Zastava, [] strength 17 officers and men, is located about seven kilometers southeast of Malko Turnovo in a low valley surrounded by high hills 1000 to 1200 meters from the border. There is a white-washed 1-story building, 7 x 15 meters in size, partly constructed of wood, with adjoining stable. Personnel and weapons are as follows:
- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
 - b. Political Officer, Private;
 - c. Training Officer, position not filled;
 - d. Quartermaster;
 - e. Two platoon commanders, corporals;
 - f. Six enlisted men (one also a baker) with six carbines;
 - g. Six enlisted men (one also a cook) with six submachine guns; and
 - h. Two dogs (untrained).
26. The 10 "Shipka" Zastava, [] strength 16 officers and men, is located west of Kladara (N 41-56, E 27-39) in a valley open only to the north approximately 1100 meters from the border. There is an old white-washed 1-story building about 6 x 12 meters in size, partly built of wood. Personnel is as follows:
- a. Commanding Officer;
 - b. Two platoon commanders, corporals;
 - c. Seven enlisted men with seven automatic pistols;
 - d. Six enlisted men with six carbines; and
 - e. One dog.
27. The 11 "Timok" Zastava, [] strength 13 officers and men, is located about 1200 meters northeast of Kladara in a valley open only to the north and 1200 to 1300 meters from the border. There is a white-washed 1-story building, 6 x 12 meters in size, partly constructed of wood. Personnel is as follows:
- a. Commander, Sergeant First Class Velichkov;
 - b. Platoon commander, corporal;
 - c. Six enlisted men with six automatic pistols; and
 - d. Five enlisted men with five carbines.
- There are no dogs in the zastava.

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28. The 3 Komandatura, [] strength unknown, is located on an elevated spot in northwestern outskirts of Kostî (N 42-04, E 27-48). Buildings consist of the following: 25X1

- a. A 2-story building with basement, 15 x 35 meters in size, used as komandatura headquarters and as a dormitory for the komandatura reserve platoon; kitchen, dining room, supply room and file room in basement;
- b. A 2-story building containing 10 to 12 apartments for officers;
- c. A stone ammunition storehouse, 8 x 10 meters in size, built partly underground where mortars, mortar ammunition, light and heavy machine guns are stored; and
- d. A stable (under construction).

The buildings are not enclosed.

[] the following personnel: 25X1

- a. Commanding Officer, Senior First Lieutenant Kurtev, has held position since about 1951; [] 25X1
- b. Political Officer, Senior First Lieutenant Nikolov, has held present post since 1952; [] 25X1
- c. Headquarters Commandant, Senior First Lieutenant Velez, has held present post since November 1952; [] 25X1
- d. Officer in charge of the Communist Party organization of 3 Komandatura, Senior First Lieutenant Stoykov, has held present post since 1952; [] 25X1
- e. Doctor, Senior First Lieutenant Shiderov, has held present post since 1953; [] 25X1
- f. Head of komandatura DSNM organization, Private Georgi Dimitrov; [] 25X1
- g. Communications Officer (telephone), First Lieutenant;
- h. Administrative Officer, First Lieutenant, also issues otkrit lists;
- i. Finance Officer, First Lieutenant; and
- j. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant.

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29. The 3 Komandatura Reserve Zastava, [] strength 40 officers and men, 25X1
shares barracks area of 3 Komandatura headquarters. Personnel and weapons are
as follows:

a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Metodi Dimitrov, has held present post
since March 1953; []

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- b. Political Commander, Private Boychev;
- c. Training Commander, Corporal Nikolov;
- d. Cook;
- e. Baker;
- f. Two dog handlers;
- g. Five enlisted men with one heavy machine gun;
- h. Five enlisted men with one mortar;
- i. One enlisted man (sniper) with one "sniper" rifle;
- j. Eleven enlisted men with 11 submachine guns; and
- k. Eleven enlisted men with 11 carbines.

30. The 12 "Pirin" Zastava, [] strength 24 officers and men, is 25X1
located from 3-5 kilometers southeast of Kladara in a valley open to the
west 1300 meters from the border. Buildings consist of a white-washed stone
1-story building approximately 8 x 15 meters in size, and a small barn.
Personnel is as follows:

- a. Commanding Officer, Senior First Lieutenant;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Corporal;
- e. Two Platoon commanders, corporals with two automatic pistols;
- f. Cook with one carbine;
- g. Baker with one automatic pistol;
- h. Two enlisted men with two light machine guns;
- i. Seven enlisted men with seven submachine guns;
- j. Seven privates with seven carbines; and
- k. Two dogs.

31. The 13 "Rila" Zastava, [] strength 31 officers and men, is 25X1
located from 8-10 kilometers east of Kladara in a valley open to the east
and west, and 1.5-2 kilometers from the border. There is a white-washed

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1-story building, 10 x 15 meters in size, and a barn. Personnel consists of the following:

- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
- e. First aid sergeant;
- f. Two squad leaders, corporals;
- g. Cook;
- h. Baker;
- i. Dog handler;
- j. Five enlisted men with five heavy machine guns;
- k. Two enlisted men with two light machine guns;
- l. One enlisted man (sniper) with one telescopic rifle;
- m. Six enlisted men with six carbines;
- n. Seven enlisted men with seven submachine guns; and
- o. Two dogs.

32. The 14 "Arda" Zastava, [] strength 28 officers and men, is located in an artificially constructed valley in hilly territory about 13 kilometers south of Kost, 1200 x 1300 meters from the border. Buildings consist of a 1-story wooden building, 8 x 14 meters in size, and a barn. Personnel and weapons are as follows:

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- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
- b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
- d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
- e. Two squad leaders, corporals;
- f. Cook;
- g. Baker;
- h. Two enlisted men with two light machine guns;
- i. Nine enlisted men with nine submachine guns;
- j. Nine enlisted men with nine carbines; and
- k. Two or three dogs.

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33. The 15 "Truyu" Zastava, [] strength 100 officers and men, is located approximately seven kilometers southeast of Kostî in a valley open only to the north through which a small stream passes, 1000 to 1100 from the border. There is a 1-story stone U-shaped building approximately 10 x 20 meters in size, and a new barn. Personnel and weapons consist of the following:

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a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant Kostadin Terziyanov (name usually mispronounced as "Terziyski"), has held present post since March 1953;

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b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant Grigor Todorov Pavlov;

25X1

c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant Stoyan Iliev Stoyanovo, has held present post since 1952;

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d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant Pumakov;

e. Training sergeant;

f. First aid sergeant;

g. Seven squad commanders, corporals;

h. Baker;

i. Cook;

j. Three dog handlers;

k. Fifteen enlisted men with three heavy machine guns;

l. Ten enlisted men with two mortars;

m. Eight enlisted men with eight light machine guns;

n. Twenty enlisted men with 20 carbines;

o. One enlisted man with a telescopic rifle;

p. Twenty enlisted men with 20 submachine guns;

q. Four enlisted men for open observation posts with four Vintovka rifles and hand grenades;

r. Four enlisted men for concealed observation posts; and

s. Six or seven dogs (three or four trained for pursuit).

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34. The 16 "Stratsin" Zastava, [] strength 41 officers and men, is located about 10 kilometers southwest of Rezovo and nine kilometers south of Brodilovo (N 42-05, E 27-50) in a valley open to the east and west 1200 to 1400 meters from the border. There is a white-painted 1-story stone building, 10 x 20 meters in size, and a barn. Personnel and weapons consist of the following:
- a. Commanding Officer, First Lieutenant;
 - b. Political Officer, Second Lieutenant;
 - c. Training Officer, Second Lieutenant;
 - d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant;
 - e. Training sergeant;
 - f. First aid sergeant;
 - g. Three platoon commanders, corporals;
 - h. Cook;
 - i. Baker;
 - j. Dog handler;
 - k. Ten enlisted men with two heavy machine guns;
 - l. One enlisted man with one telescopic rifle;
 - m. Nine enlisted men with nine carbines;
 - n. Nine enlisted men with nine submachine guns; and
 - o. Three or four dogs (one or two trained for pursuit).
35. The 17 "Akatsiya" Zastava, [] strength 100 officers and men, is located from 4-7 kilometers west of Rezovo in a valley, 1500 to 2000 meters from the border. Buildings consisted of the following:
- a. A new 1-story brick building, 12 x 22 meters in size, built in the shape of a shallow U;
 - b. A small stable; and
 - c. A building with three apartments for officers, about 100 meters north of other buildings.
- Personnel and weapons consist of the following:
- a. Commanding Officer, Senior First Lieutenant (?) Zheleskov;
 - b. Political Officer, First Lieutenant Velichkov;
 - c. Training Officer, First Lieutenant Bozhilov;
 - d. Quartermaster, Master Sergeant Petrov;
 - e. Training sergeant, Sergeant Chanezov;

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- f. First aid sergeant, Sergeant Pamporov;
- g. Seven squad leaders, corporals;
- h. Cook;
- i. Baker;
- j. Three dog handlers;
- k. Fifteen enlisted men with three heavy machine guns;
- l. Ten enlisted men with two mortars;
- m. One enlisted man (sniper) with one telescopic rifle;
- n. Eight enlisted men with eight light machine guns;
- o. Twenty enlisted men with 20 submachine guns;
- p. Four enlisted men for open observation posts;
- q. Four enlisted men for concealed observation posts; and
- r. Five dogs (four trained for pursuit).

Comments:

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1. The following additional or
 conflicting details were (1) Bulgarian offensive grenade, 25X1
 action delay period, 5.5 seconds; weight of charge, 370 grams (as opposed to
 200 grams); (2) Bulgarian defensive grenade, body of grenade made of 9 mm.
 thick cast iron; weight of charge, 130 grams (as opposed to 150 grams);
 action delay period, 5.5 seconds; effective radius fragmentation, 25 meters
 (as opposed to 15 meters).
2. For the 1 Komandatura, the distances between zastava 25X1
 headquarters as follows: 9000 meters between 1 and 2; 8800 meters between 2 and
 3; 10,000 meters between 3 and 4; and 6200 meters between 4 and 5. The
 distances given should only be regarded as approximate.

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Legend for AppendicesA 7 Border Guard Otryad Barracks Area - Malko Turnovo

A - Malko Turnovo

B - C Highway from Burgas to Malko Turnovo to Kirkclareli, Turkey

1. Canteen, 1-story, 4 x 8 meters
2. Bathhouse, 1-story, 8 x 15 meters
3. Latrine, 4 x 10 meters
4. Mines storehouse, 1-story, partially underground, 8 x 8 meters
5. Infirmary, 1-story, 10 x 12 meters
6. 2 Komandatura headquarters building, 1-story, 10 x 25 meters
7. Supply warehouse, 1-story, 8 x 15 meters
8. Barracks, 1-story, 15 x 15 meters
9. Kitchen, 1-story, 10 x 10 meters
10. Barracks for dog handlers, 1-story, 8 x 8 meters
11. Guardhouse (prison), 1-story, 8 x 12 meters
12. Communist Party clubhouse, 2-story, 15 x 15 meters
13. Barracks for service company, 1-story, 14 x 25 meters
14. Kennels (holds 20 dogs at present, four of which are "the best" pursuit dogs), 1-story, 15 x 16 meters
15. Isolation center (for border-crossers or captured escapees), 1-story, 6 x 15 meters
16. Tailor shop and clothing depot, 1-story, 8 x 15 meters
17. Food warehouse, 1-story, 10 x 40 meters
18. Grenades storehouse, 1-story, 6 x 14 meters
19. Stable (contains 100 horses), 16 x 25 meters
20. Communications center, 2-story, 6 x 15 meters
21. 7 Otryad headquarters building, 2-story, 18 x 20 meters
22. Shoemaking shop and shoe warehouse, 1-story, 8 x 12 meters
23. Ammunition depot, 1-story, 6 x 14 meters
24. Building containing mailroom, intelligence service offices and quarters for agent groups, 1-story, 8 x 15 meters
25. Gasoline storage depot, underground (1-story), 12 x 20 meters
26. Barracks for 2 Komandatura reserve zastava, 1-story, 10 x 22 meters
27. Ammunition depot, 1-story (half-underground), 7 x 8 meters
28. Barn for hay, straw and feed, 1-story, 12 x 80 meters
29. Garage, 15 x 25 meters
30. Latrine, 10 x 12 meters
31. Barracks for 7 Otryad training battalion, 1-story, 20 x 60 meters

Permanent guard posts

~~XXXXXXXX~~ Barbed-wire fence

Wooden fence

NOT DRAWN TO SCALE

7 Otryad Underground Ammunition Stores - Malko Turnovo

A - Malko Turnovo

B - Burgas-Malko Turnovo Highway

C - Streams

D - Ammunition storage area

1 - Shed belonging to one "Dedo" Ivan (Inu)

2 - Guard barracks

3 and 4 - Underground ammunition stores

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XXXXXXXXXXXX Double line of barbed-wire
 XXXXXXXXXXXX fence

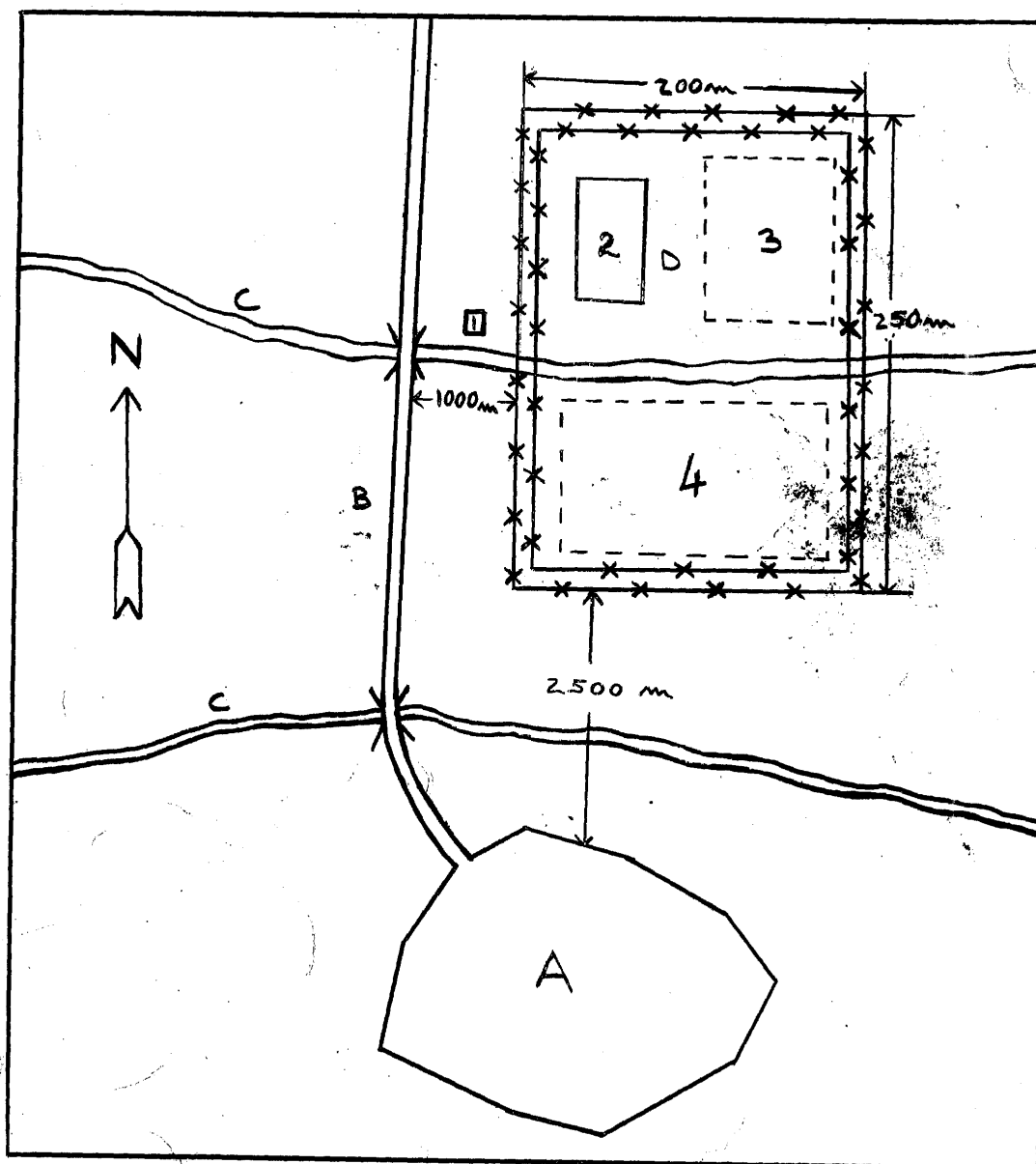
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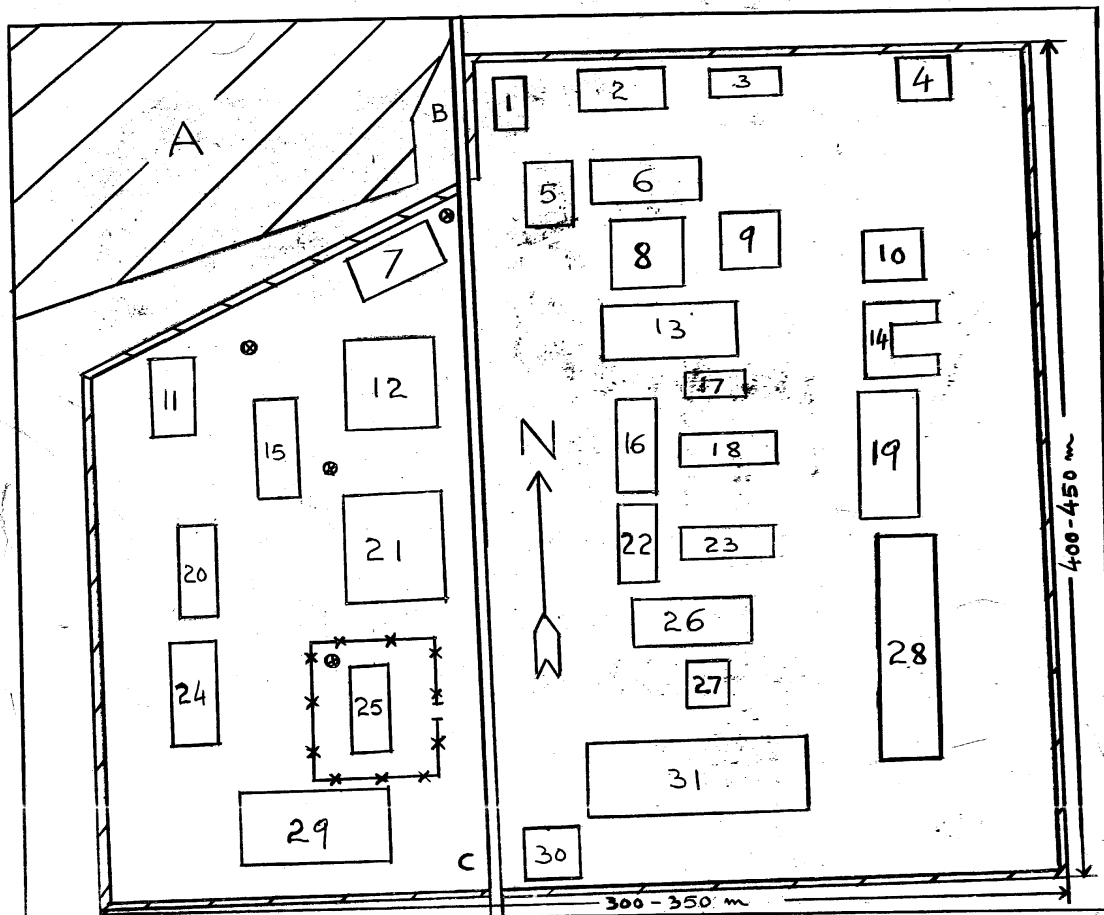
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